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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Tomoyuki MIYASHITA) : Examiner: P. Tran
Appln. No.: 09/587,906) : Group Art Unit: 2721
Filed: June 6, 2000) :
For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS) : October 23, 2003
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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's election of species requirement issued October 3, 2003, Applicant hereby elects for prosecution on the merits the Species of the Second Embodiment. Applicants submit that Claims 1 to 6 and 15 to 24 read on the elected species.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,



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